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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM UN

SUBJ: US PARTICIPATION IN WORLD DISARMAMENT

CONFERENCE (WDC) AD HOC COMMITTEE

REF: STATE 024313

1. US VIEWS ABOUT WESTERN NUCLEAR PARTICIPATION IN WDC AD HOC COMMITTEE HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO UK AND FRENCH REPS HERE. THERE IS NO BRITISH NOR FRENCH DECISION YET WHETHER TO ATTEND THE FIRST MEETING, ALTHOUGH OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT BOTH GOVERNMENTS HAD BEEN LEANING TOWARD PARTICIPATING IN AT LEAST THE FIRST MEETING OR TWO. BOTH UK AND FRENCH REPS UNDERSTOOD OUR ARGUMENT ABOUT NOT PLAYING INTO SOVIET HANDS IN THEIR ATTACKS ON CHINESE BUT NEVERTHELESS SAW SOME MERIT IN SHOWING THE FLAG AT THE MEETING, CONFIDENTIAL

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EITHER AS A WAY OF KEEPING WELL-INFORMED OR OF DEMONSTRATING

GOOD FAITH TO THE NON-ALIGNED (THE FRENCH REP NOTED THAT FRANCE IS A NO-SAYER ON SO MANY DISARMAMENT ISSUES THAT IT WOULD LIKE AN OCCASION WHERE IT CAN WITHOUT HARM DO WHAT THE OTHERS ARE DOING).

2. UK MISSION TELLS US IT IS NOW SENDING A LETTER TO FCO URGING THAT THE FIRST OBJECTIVE BE TO SEEK A COMMON STANCE BY THE WESTERN NUCLEARS AND ARGUING THAT THE MOST DESIRABLE STANCE WOULD BE ATTENDACE BY ALL AT THE FIRST MEETING.

3. WE SUGGEST THAT OUR EMBASSIES IN LONDON AND PARIS PURSUE THIS MATTER FURTHER NOW WITH THEIR HOST GOVERNMENTS. WE WOULD LIKE TO DEFER FURTHER CONSULTATIONS HERE WITH MEMBERS OF AD HOC COMMITTEE UNTIL SOME ADDITIONAL EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE TO REACH A US/UK/ FRENCH MEETING OF THE MINDS. IF IN THE MEANTIME WE ARE QUERIED ABOUT OUR INTENTIONS, WE CAN SAY THAT IN ANY CASE WE TO TAKE COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD THE COMMITTEE BUT WE HAVE NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER WE WILL ATTEND THE FIRST MEETING.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS TO LONDON AND PARIS.
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